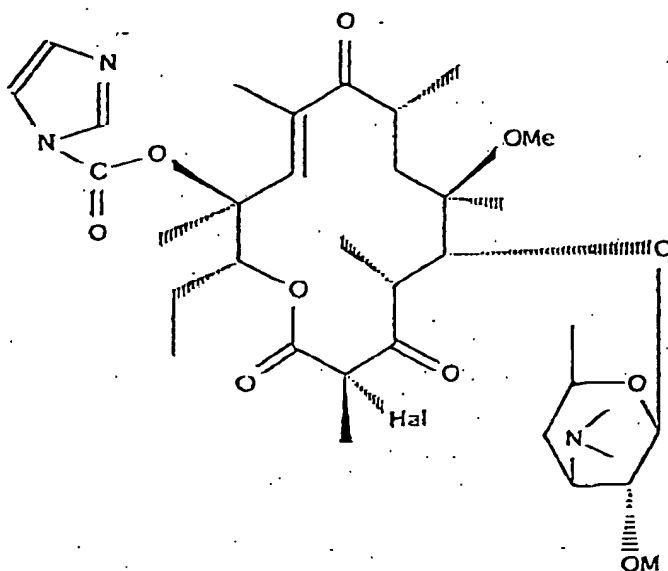


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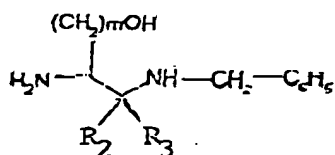
IN THE CLAIMS:

Claim 12 (twice amended) A process for the preparation of a compound of claim 1 comprising reacting a compound of the formula



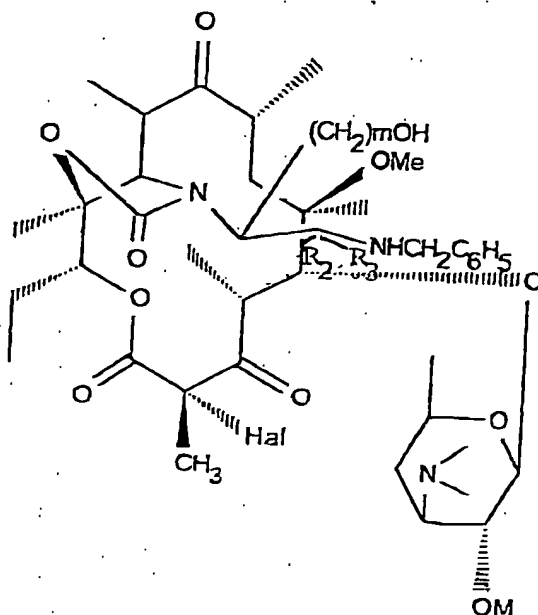
II

wherein Hal is halogen and OM is a protected hydroxyl with a compound of the formula



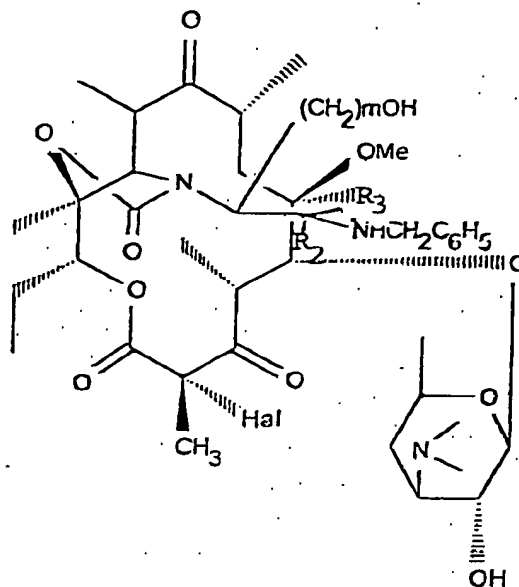
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wherein m is an integer from 1 to 8 to obtain a compound of the formula



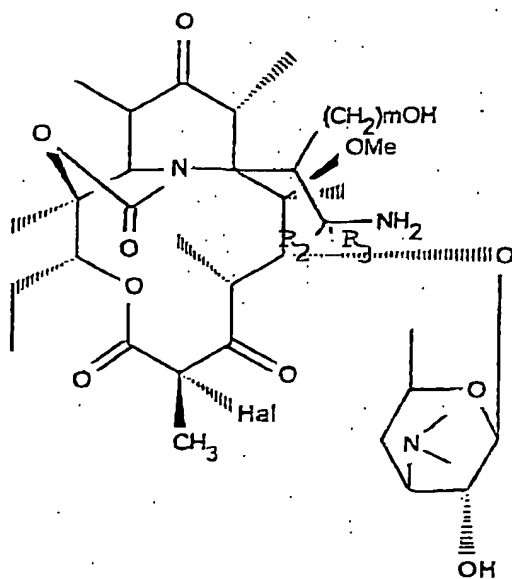
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deprotecting the 2'-hydroxyl to obtain a compound of the formula



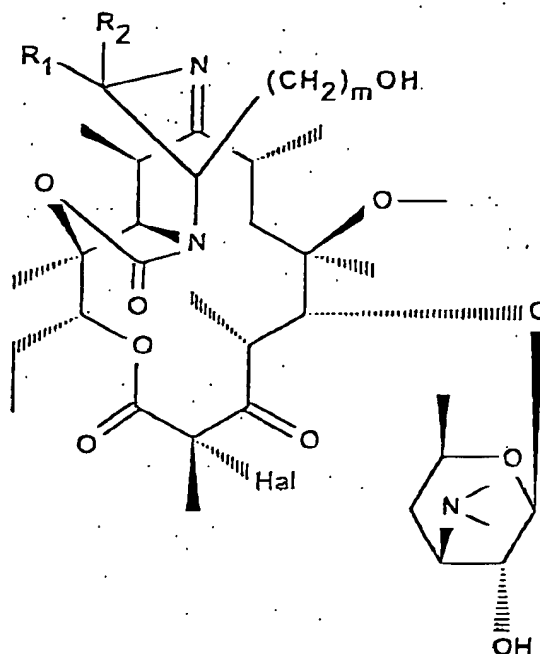
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reacting the latter with a debenzylating agent to obtain a compound of the formula



VI

reacting the latter with a cyclization agent to form a compound of the formula

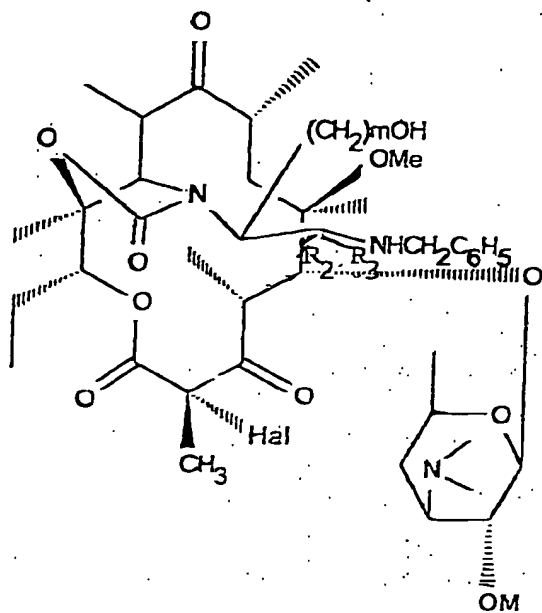


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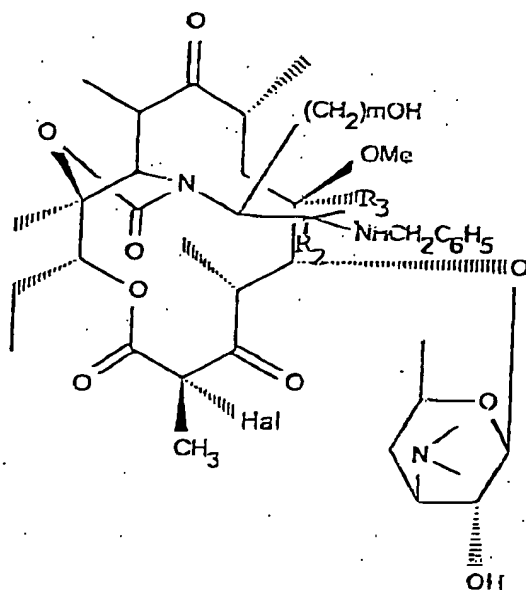
corresponding to a compound of Formula I of claim 1 wherein R is $-(CH_2)_m-OH$ and optionally subjecting the latter to an aralkylating or acylating agent to obtain a compound of Formula I of claim 1

wherein B is $-(CH_2)_n-Ar$ or $-C(=O)-Ar$.

Claim 13 (amended) A compound selected from the group consisting of



IV



V